

see FPII - What Else
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What does secrecy conceal? How do "redacted" documents mislead?

Now that so much material has been declassified or released under FOIA, there could be a systematic study of what was concealed and lied about earlier, to what sorts of information was there special resistance to revealing earlier (requiring appeals on FOIA, for instance), and a basis developed for inferring what is being concealed now, both by current released under FOIA and by current classification.

--Thus, in the light of FOIA and declassified materials, the Nat Sec Archive, or some consortium of groups oriented to openness and real history, could have interns or scholars look at what was left out or mistaken in earlier scholarly, journalistic, and official accounts.

--How was the public misled? About what? How? By whom? To what end? To what effect?

--How much did interviews correct for this? To what extent did they conceal or contribute to the problem?

--check manipulative use of "background" interviews, unattributed sources. E.g. HAK.

--what is systematically left out or lied about, thus systematically misleading scholars, journalists or the public (and Congress)?

--E.g. nuclear threats. I could publish what is left out of the Taiwan Straits Crisis study: the nuclear discussions.

--Likewise, I could do this for the Pentagon Papers: the government edition! (Nuclear discussions; see Burns; and the 1946 attack on Haiphong--which was about to be repeated, see 1972! Was this coincidence? Talk to de-classifiers in Pentagon! What were their guidelines? This was a unique instance!)

--Cuba II.

--Could publish a "self-published" book if necessary, on all the discussions of nuclear weapons use I have collected, including Taiwan Straits!

Talk to Ted Taylor about this. Also: Hershberg, Sherwin.

--This could also be put on the World Wide Web. (Maybe

I should get that for cigaret discussion, alone!)

--What use of the Internet is the Nat Sec Archive making?

--Is PDS using this for his self-published sequel to Deep Politics?

--Is there (not) a Deep Politics and a Conspiracy site on the World Wide Web?

--Make a site for"

--The tobacco industry: to publish internal documents.

--Corporate wrong-doing. Transform whistle-blowing. (Ha--this will be a bigger controversy than pornography!)

--Get GAP, Whistle-blowing Center on this! Study tobacco case.

--See the Internet, World Wide Web, as a vast expansion of the Alternative Press. Transform investigative journalism. (Every new technology, like printing press and photography, is used early on for pornography, is it not?)

--Talk to John Pike; Bruce Hall; guy at Peace Action; what is best equipment, software for using Internet, World Wide Web?

--Put together, Openness consortium; Open Conspiracy; Freedom of Information Group;

--Steve Aftergood, Tom Blanton, Scott Armstrong, Conrad --, GAP, Whistle-blowers Center (Nader? NADER, ON IDEAS ABOVE, ABOUT WHISTLE-BLOWING, AND SPECICALLY TOBACCO...VS. CORPORATE SECRECY._get his groups on it, or start a whole new set.)

Get WSEG studies on Foia. Recall effect on leaving out CIA from WSEG study on Laos. (Talk to Diana Johnstone, daughter of Paul, who did this study).

--In Memoir: Chapter on Learning to Keep Secrets. Secrecy System. Mystique. SI. History legitimating secrecy and lies: FDR and WWII (but see effect in Korea! VN! Gulf War. Nixon Plan.) See my interview with Buckley: get it? on FDR. Madison...)